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*Report from Veracruz—Summary of transactions, January–June, 1907.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Frick reports, July 1:  
Transactions during the last half of the fiscal year 1906–7:

	Janu- ary.	Feb- ruary.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Total.
Vessels not inspected.....			α 1				1
Steamships inspected.....	16	32	30	18	17	14	127
Steamships fumigated.....				12	14	16	42
Sailing vessels inspected.....	2	3	1	0	1	1	8
Sailing vessels fumigated.....	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Crew on steamships inspected.....	765	1,232	1,189	1,299	1,402	1,353	7,240
Passengers on steamships inspected.....	555	487	556	621	981	445	3,645
Crew on sailing vessels.....	13	26	6	0	24	9	78

α An American yacht.

NEW ZEALAND.

*Report from Auckland—Plague outbreak in May, 1907.*

The following is received from the health department, through Consul-General Prickett:

An outbreak of plague occurred in this city during the month of May, 1907. Two employees in Queen street, both residents of Parnell, a suburb of the town, died after a short illness, on May 12 and 15, respectively. The first case was not diagnosed definitely as plague until after a post-mortem examination and microscopical and bacteriological test, including the inoculation and death from plague of 2 guinea pigs. In each case the contacts were kept in quarantine for 5 days. The bodies of the victims were cremated. There have been no cases since May 15, and examinations of rats since that date have proved negative. The source of infection in the 2 cases mentioned undoubtedly was a rat which died from plague in the building in which the victims were employed. An examination of 50 other rats from the city and harbor wharves has proved negative, and the disease has not spread. A vigorous campaign against rats is still being carried on, as well as a more thorough system of sanitary inspection and scavenging. The wharves are being made rat proof by being constructed of ferro-concrete. Daily examinations of rats are being made.

NICARAGUA.

*Report from Bluefields, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Layton reports as follows:

Week ended June 24, 1907. Present officially estimated population, 2,800; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. Mosquitoes are abundant, *Stegomyia calopus* predominating.

No bills of health issued.